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SUBJ: U.S. - SWISS TREATY ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE

REF: A) STATE 033248; B) BERN 0584

1. EMBOFF TELEPHONED CURT MARKEES UPON RECEIPT OF REF. A) TO DETERMINE STATUS OF HIS RESEARCH ON CANTONAL LEGISLATION (REF. B). MARKEES HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO COMPLETE RESEARCH BUT APPRECIATES IMPORTANCE USG ATTACHES TO THIS PROBLEM. HE HAS PROMISED TO COMPLETE PROJECT BY FEB. 20.

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF FEB. 18, MARKEES STATED THAT HE HAD DETERMINED THAT CANTONS OF BERN AND ZURICH DO NOT RPT NOT HAVE LEGISLATION COMPELLING WITNESSES TO SWEAR TO OR AFFIRM TESTIMONY. AS MARKEES HAD GRATUITIOUSLY MENTIONED DURING INITIAL DISCUSSION OF THIS PROBLEM THAT BERN, ZURICH AND GENEVA DID HAVE PERTINENT LEGISLATION, WE WONDER WHETHER HIS FINAL REPORT WILL SHOW THAT HE WAS TOO CONSERVATIVE IN ESTIMATING THE NUMBER OF SWISS CANTONS WHICH COULD NOT APPLY SANCTIONS FOR REFUSAL TO SWEAR TO OR AFFIRM TESTIMONY (REF. B).

3. EMBASSY WILL TRANSMIT RESULT OF MARKEES' FINAL RESEARCH AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED.

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